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Fiscal Impact Statement for Department of Environmental Services rules governing Large Groundwater Withdrawals. [Env-Wq 403 (currently Env-Ws 388)]

1. Comparison of the costs of the proposed rule(s) to the existing rule(s):

When compared to the existing rules, the proposed rules may increase costs to political subdivisions and independently owned businesses by an indeterminable amount.

2. Cite the Federal mandate. Identify the impact on state funds:

No federal mandate, no impact on state funds.

3. Cost and benefits of the proposed rule(s):

To the extent a political subdivision or independently owned business applies for a large groundwater withdrawal permit, they may have increased costs of an indeterminable amount related to the hiring of a licensed professional to oversee withdrawal testing and sampling procedures for new groundwater withdrawal sites, related to water level monitoring, and related to meeting water quality criteria for source replacement efforts of a source well adversely impacted by withdrawals.

A. To State general or State special funds:

None.

B. To State citizens and political subdivisions:

There is no fiscal impact on state citizens. See 3 above for impact on political subdivisions.

C. To independently owned businesses:

See 3 above.